

FUN WITH FIELD TRIPS

Oh, the places you and your students will go while exploring field trips!

TYPES OF FIELD TRIPS

1. WorkPlace Field Trips

Goal: Provide students with the opportunity to see work processes and skills used in a variety of jobs. Expand the outlook and horizon for students.

2. Virtual/Electronic Field Trips

Goal: A guided tour of Web sites that have been selected and arranged in a "thread" that students can follow from site to site. Teachers can create tours for students. Once published on the Web, the field trip can be taken again and again. Or teachers can take their own photos and videos on a trip and create an electronic field trip for students.

PREPARATION

Guidelines for the Teacher:

1. Select a trip which has a clear connection to what you are studying in class
2. Collect signed parental permission slips (whether taking your class online or outside)
3. Provide appropriate number of responsible chaperones. If students must be divided into smaller groups, assign students and chaperones to groups ahead of time.
4. Plan ahead for your trip:
 - a. Teach a preparatory lesson before the trip
 - b. Supply the employer with information about your students
 - c. Find out about dress, length of field trip, bus parking, fees
 - d. Inform students if they will need to bring money for meals, souvenirs
 - e. Determine a measurable objective for your culminating activity and plan your post-connecting classroom activity (Idea: If acceptable, students could take pictures during tour, prepare a PowerPoint presentation, and share field trip with others.)
 - f. Develop a feedback process
5. If taking an online field trip:
 - a. Preview the site and know the content therein
 - b. Check all links up to three clicks away from the tour
 - c. Provide step-by-step tasks to accomplish
 - d. Consider a treasure hunt checklist for students to follow

Guidelines for Students:

1. Participate in pre- and post- connecting activities
2. Be ready to ask appropriate questions
3. Dress appropriately and arrive on time
4. Write a thank-you note after the field trip

Belton Field Trips:

- Belton, Grandview & Kansas City Railroad Co. 502 Walnut, So. on Hwy. 71, exit Y Hwy. 45-min rd trip, Sat & Sun 2 p.m. www.orgsites.com/mo/beltonrailroad (816) 331-0630

Bolivar Field Trips: Tracker Marine**Clinton Field Trips:**

- Henry County Museum, 203 West Franklin, P.O.Box 65, Clinton, MO. 64735 (660)885-8414. Museum and Cultural Arts Center, Adair Annex - turn-of-the-century village & The Homestead

Columbia Field Trips:

- State Farm Insurance 4700 S. Providence, 573-499-2000
After tour, Human Resources discuss career opportunities, interview and resume tips
- Shelter Insurance 1817 West Broadway

- **Hannibal Field Trips:** Missouri Dept. of Transportation, tour of technological equipment

Independence Field Trips:

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| • 1827 Log Courthouse, 816-325-7111 | Admission: \$5.00; Senior Citizens \$4.50;
Ages 6-18 \$3.00; Group rates available. |
| • 1859 Jail, Marshal's Home and Museum
816-252-1892 | • Harry S. Truman National Historic Site |
| • Bingham-Waggoner Estate 816-325-7111 | • 816-254-2720 |
| • Clinton's Soda Fountain; 816-833-2046 | • National Frontier Trails Center
816-325-7575 |
| • Harry S. Truman Library, Hwy 24 and
Delaware, Independence, Missouri 64050
24-hour information line: (816) 833-1225,
Administrative offices: (816) 833-1400
Hours: Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m.
to 5:00 p.m.; 9:00 p.m. on Thursdays | • Pioneer Spring Cabin; 816-325-7111 |
| | • Pioneer Trails Wagon Rides; 816-254-2466 |
| | • Truman Courtroom & Office
816-795-8200 ext. 1260 |
| | • Truman Home Visitor Center 816-254-7199 |
| | • Vaile Mansion 816-325-7111 |

Jefferson City Area Field Trips:

- Missouri Industry Day, May 17, 2003, 573-751-4192 or 573-634-2246
Link HS students with employers to encourage high-tech careers in Missouri manufacturing

Kansas City Area Field Trips:

- American Jazz Museum 1616 E. 18th St., KCMO www.americanjazzmuseum.com (816) 474-VINE
Hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., T.-Thurs.; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., F-S; Noon-6 p.m., Sun. Tickets: \$6, adults;
- American Royal Museum 1701 American Royal Ct., KCMO www.americanroyal.com (816)221-9800
Museum and Visitors Center focusing on the role of agri-business. Open Tues.-Sat. all year.
- Arabia Steamboat Museum - largest collection of pre-Civil War treasures 816-471-4030
Open daily. Admission \$6.50 for adults, \$3.75 ages 4-12.

- CUBE 104 W. 9th, within the American Institute of Architects, KCMO
The Center for Understanding the Built Environment empowers kids to take responsible action in their communities. Self-guided walking tour of Ninth Street. (913) 262-8222
- Harley-Davidson Final Assembly Plant 11401 N. Congress, KCMO (888) 875-2883 or (816) 858-3349
Set up tours through Platte County Visitor's Bureau. Tours from 8 a.m.-noon, Mon.-Fri. Tours are 1.5 hours. Must be at least 12 yrs old. No open-toe shoes. Cameras prohibited on tours; lockers available.
- Kansas City Museum 3218 Gladstone, KCMO (816) 483-8300
Hands-on science and history exhibits. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., T-Sat; Noon-4:30 p.m., Sun.
Admission: \$2.50, adults; \$2, srs/students; \$1.50, children. \$3.50, planetarium. www.kcmuseum.com
- Kansas City Royals Baseball Kauffman Stadium, I-70 & Blue Ridge Cut-off, KCMO
www.kcroys.com (816) 921-8000 or (800) 6ROYALS
- Kansas Speedway Located at I-435 and I-70 in Kansas City, Kan. Track size: 1.5 mile tri-oval.
www.kansasspeedway.com (913) 328-3300 Tickets: (913) 328-RACE
- Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art 4525 Oak, KCMO www.nelson-atkins.org (816) 751-1238
- Negro Leagues Baseball Museum 1616 E. 18th St., KCMO (816) 221-1920 or (888) 221-6526
Re-creates the look, sounds and feel of Negro Leagues baseball. Tue.-Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.,
www.nlbm.com
- Toy & Miniature Museum 5235 Oak, KCMO www.umkc.edu/tmm (816) 333-2055
Restored 1911 mansion contains fine miniature collections, antique doll houses and furnishings.
- American Century Investors 816-531-5575
- Cerner Corporation 816-201-1024
(Jeanie Worth, Training Department)
- Census Bureau 913-551-6711
- Data Source, Front Street, 816-483-3282
- DST 816-737-4023
- Farmland Industries, 816-713-7000
- Federal Bureau of Investigation,
www.fbi.gov, 816-221-6100
- Federal Reserve Bank, 10th & Grand,
(Gigi Sanders) 816-881-2000
- Hallmark 816-274-3613
- Kansas City Board of Trade, 4800 Main,
800-821-5228
- Kansas City Life Insurance, 816-753-7000
- Kansas City Post Office, 800-275-8777
- Kansas City Star, 1700 Grand, 816-234-4974
- Metro Community College Business & Tech
Center, 816-482-5210
- Rain Forest Café tour, Overland Park, KS
913-438-7676
- Roastarie 816-931-4000
- Shook, Hardy, and Bacon (Law firm)
816-474-6550
- Sprint Corporation, 6200 Sprint
Parkway, Overland Park, KS 913-
624-6000
- US Attorney's Office, www.usdoj.gov
861-512-5000

Springfield Field Trips:

- American National Property and Casualty Insurance, 1949 East Sunshine
- Assembly of God Publishing Company, 1445 Boonville Ave., 800-988-0292

- Wonders of Wildlife Museum, 500 West Sunshine, 417-890-9453

St. Joseph Field Trips: St. Joseph Convention and Visitors Bureau: 1-800-785-0360

St. Louis Field Trips:

- Anheuser Busch 800-342-5283
 - Federal Reserve Bank, 314-444-8560 or 800-333-0810 ext. 44-8560
- Anticipates resuming tours in mid-January 2003, Mon - Fri 9:30 am and 1:30 pm
- Edward Jones Dome (formerly TWA Dome) 901 North Broadway, 314-342-5036

Wentzville Field Trips: General Motors Plant - Tours on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Weston Field Trips:

Weston Development Company: (816) 640-2909
Herbert Bonnell Museum, Price-Loyles House, 1857 Federal-style home, The Weston Historical Museum

Wickliff, Kentucky Field Trips: Westvaco Paper Mill

Sample Permission Slip

Field Trip: _____ Date: _____

I give permission for my son/daughter to attend and participate in the field trip above. I further understand that my son/daughter is responsible for making up any work missed in classes due to attending this field trip, and it is his/her responsibility to determine the work missed.

I assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation including transportation to and from this trip. Therefore, I do hereby waive, release, absolve and agree to hold harmless the above named schools, their administrations, their regulating agencies, staff, teachers, organizers, sponsors, supervisors or persons transporting my child should injury occur, whether said injury occurs at the above mentioned field trips or while being transported to or from this trip.

_____(Parent) _____(Date)
_____(Student) _____(Date)

Websites for Virtual/Electronic Field Trips

Below is a list of sites for field trips to be taken on the web. Some are pre-made field trips, others offer software to help you set up your own online field trips, and some are websites set up by students after going on field trips either as a post-activity, feedback, or as a way to share material with others.

www.field-trips.org/tours/

www.education-world.com

www.supersurf.com

www.field-guides.com

www.cosi.org

www.greatestplaces.org

www.whitehouse.gov/kids/tour/

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